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'Do it with passion or not at all'

By Marion Draper

MAKING his mark in his home village of Tatworth, 16-year-old Oscar Everard is trying to break out with a musical career. He is, however, finding his age a bit of a barrier as pubs and clubs won't always give him the opportunity to show how serious he is about his music.

Oscar doesn't blame them as he has found it difficult to find others of his own age to make up who are as committed as he is. Also because of his age, his parents are needed to escort him.

Although he loves to play solo, to be a member of a band with over 18s would solve the problem, meanwhile he is frustrated with a limited access to the live audience he craves. Oscar's music includes guitar, harmonica and vocals and he describes his taste as an eclectic blend of blues, rock, country, reggae and funk. He plays covers but also writes his own songs and will play Spanish guitar by request.

Oscar is a student at Axe Valley Community College, where he will be returning to sixth form in September to study photography, sociology, product design and music. Ironically, when he was first introduced to music at school he came home and said he hated it, but four months later found a child's harmonica dropped in a shop, decided he liked it and after he had played it for a while asked for a proper one.

Five years ago he began the guitar, teaching himself by listening to his father's Bob Dylan and Rolling Stones records and he still prefers 70s rock and classic country stars like Johnny Cash and Carl Perkins, to the music most of his peers listen to.

Oscar's first gig was at an open mic night at the Number 10 café in Bridport when he was 14. He was going to play guitar for a singer who dropped out at the last minute so he had to go it alone.

This year has seen a lot of support from the villagers of Tatworth after he played at the Memorial Hall for the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations and at the beer festival.

The committee were so impressed that they asked him to be the opening act at Party in the Park.

Recently he has gigged at the Yarcombe Inn and Green Dragon at Combe St Nicholas as well as the Old Inn at Hawkchurch and is hoping word will get out and a few more doors will open to him. He has put himself on YouTube and is gradually introducing his own music, which has had a positive reception so far.

Oscar loves playing on outside stages and his ultimate aim is to get to Glastonbury Festival. He said he would loved to have met Jimi Hendrix.

Oscar is completely committed to his music and his family know he can do well with the right opportunities. His mantra is "Do it with passion or not at all".

■ **LOOKING FOR A BREAK: Oscar Everard wanting venues to take him seriously**

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Wadham bucks the trend with GCSEs

By Marion Draper

DESPITE the national figures for GCSE results being under dispute, students from the Crewkerne and Ilminster areas who attend Wadham School were full of smiles as they opened their important brown envelopes last Thursday.

The Year 11 students raised the bar again with 77 per cent achieving grades A* to C in five or more subjects, further improving on last year's record level, and 66 per cent gaining an A* to C in five or more subjects including English and maths, six per cent higher than the school's previous best .

Every student completed key stage four with at least one GCSE and many exceeded their expectations, with 36 students achieving A*, A or the equivalent in five or more subjects. The top performers who gained eight A*, A or equivalent grades were Abigail Barnes, Tom Baylis, Megan Bessell, Jasmine Clark, Emily Clement, Sophie Doutch, Ava Down, Louis Gillman, Joseph Harvey, Chloe Hill, Nadine Horgan, Bradley Johnson, Benjamin Newberry, Harriett O'Grady, Charlotte Paull, Aimee Price and Charlie Watkins.

Nick Darby, from Misterton, achieved an exceptional 10 A* grades, including a further maths GCSE in which he scored an A* distinction, the only subject at GCSE that it is possible to gain this grade.

He will be going to Richard Huish College to take A-levels and hopes to go into medicine. His elder brother, James, who also went ro Richard Huish after Wadham, has just passed his A-levels with five A*s.

Headteacher David Derbyshire commented: "These results reflect lots of hard work and determination on the part of the students and the support and skill of staff in guiding them to success. We are very proud of all our students and their achievements and look forward to working with many of them as they move into the sixth form.

"We wish all of them well for the future. The school will continue to build on this encouraging set of results."

■ THOMAS Baylis, Joel Clarke, Emily Clements, Lily Blows and Tom Wade

■ KIZZY Caines,Rose Turner,Nataie Brian,Katie Draper, Nadya Ochirova and Nadine Horgan

■ LIAM Donoghue, Matthew Gerrish, Simon Oakes and Ashley Thorne

■ TOP left, Holly Rogers and Jasmine Palmer from Ilminster. Top right, Louis Gillman from Ilminster with proud mum Sally Rutter. Above left, Nadine Horgan from Shepton Beauchamp and, above, Josh Lee from Ilminster. Pictured on front page, Liberty Rowe and Ava Down

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Student follows in Darwin's footsteps

YOUNG environmentalist Abbie Barnes was over the moon with her GCSE results, which came as the icing on the cake the day after returning from a five day residential scholarship course.

Abbie, who is so passionate about the natural world that she has made several educational videos on the website YouTube, was one of only 15 teenagers who were given the new Young Darwin Scholarship by the Field Studies Council. The scholars attended the "What Would Darwin Do Today?" course in Shropshire, near the birthplace of the famous naturalist and father of the theory of evolution, Charles Darwin.

The young naturalist and her peers spent time exploring the countryside, observing plants and invertebrates and taking part in an earthworm survey. They also enjoyed a canoe trip and learnt about the geology of the area.

The 16 year old returned home to receive eight A grades in her GCSEs at Wadham School, including an A* in English, which was said to have been marked harder this year, and will be going to Richard Huish College to take her A-levels.

Earlier this year, while still only 15, Abbie dined with a group of Members of the European Parliament when her environmental campaign for the sustainable production of palm oil gained her a sponsored trip to Brussels. Her YouTube video was one of five to win a competition set by the Crewkerne-based charity, The Young People's Trust for the Environment, in association with Eurostar, for a trip to speak to the MEPs.

Abbie's documentary was on the destructive effects of palm oil, a substance which has become an essential resource for the food, personal care, oleo-chemical and biodiesel sectors and is used in one in 10 products found in the supermarket, including biscuits, confectionary and baked products, soaps, detergents and cosmetics. Currently much of the palm oil is made from farming which involves the destruction of the rainforests but it could be farmed more sustainably.

The young film maker had also written on the subject in her school's newsletter to tried and raise awareness among her fellow students and others by calling for a change in product labelling. The European Parliament have now agreed to change product labelling from 2014 to give consumers the option to choose, in the same way that there is labelling for sustainably caught fish.

Abbie also volunteers as a ranger for South Somerset District Council at Hamhill and for the Somerset Wildlife Trust and loves to walk with her mother, Pearl. In July they walked the 100 miles of the West Highland Way to raise money for the charity War Child.

The teen's passion for the environment began at an early age and she will continue to campaign for a better world. Abbie said one of her hopes for he near future is to meet with her idol, the naturalist David Attenborough, whose footsteps she hopes to follow.

■ WORKING HARD FOR A BETTER WORLD: Abbie Barnes who got eight A passes at GCSE level

■ WADHAM School leaver Sophie Draper, from Crewkerne, has landed a place at Jesus College Cambridge to read natural sciences.

She has ecouraged others to do the same, saying students should not be intimidated by the prestige of the big name colleges and universities and aim for their dreams.

Top student Sophie (pictured above), who gained As in maths, physics and biology and Bs in chemistry and further maths in her recent A-level results, will focus on physics at Cambridge.

She said the interview process had not been as bad as she expected and, although she was a bit nervous for the first one, the second was quite enjoyable.

She said: "People shouldn't believe the stereotypes about it. There are more students from these kinds of schools than public schools going now."

Sophie said she hopes for a career in research.

W news briefing

Weather calls off ride for first time

DISAPPOINTMENT struck the organisers of the annual Dinnington Ride, which had to be cancelled due to poor weather conditions for the first time in its history.

The ride was due to take place on Sunday, August 26th but, following thunderstorms the day before on top of many weeks of intermittent downpours, the decision was taken the previous afternoon that the ground was too dangerous for horses.

The horse ride of about 13 miles, which goes through local farmland close to Hinton St George thanks to the generosity of the landowners, had celebrated its 21st anniversary last year.

It was started by the Holloway family and is supported by the Crewkerne Rotary Club, who marshal the route. The event had taken a break on only two occasions due to foot and mouth outbreaks and, although has been held in mixed weather in the past, had enjoyed perfect conditions for the last two years.

Ironically, the sun shone on Sunday and the Rotarians posted themselves on the outskirts of the village to turn way potential riders.

Rotarian David Welch, who was president for last year's ride, said: "We can't contact people as they just turn up on the day. They are so passionate about the ride, they are likely to show up."

The event usually attracts around 130 riders and would have raised funds for the Dinnington church, Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance, the Red Cross and Rotary charities.

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SPICE Villa in Chard will be welcoming diners and some special guests to the launch of their new restaurant in September.

After the shop next door became available, owner Shakil Hassan put his idea for a quality Indian restaurant in to action.

The take-away side of the business opened its doors in May 2011 and Shakil always hoped to bring a high standard and better quality restaurant to the town.

Preparations for the launch are well under way with just a few finishing touches to be made. The restaurant will seat up to 40 people and can cater for parties of any kind.

Specials including Mango Chicken or King Prawn, and Spicy Lamb Shank will whet the appetite and diners can be assured that ingredients and preparation are of the highest quality.

The restaurant is fully licensed to ensure a full dining experience.

During my visit to Spice Villa I was lucky enough to sample one of the dishes: Chef's Special Chicken. This is chicken in a tomato and onion sauce with mushrooms, onions, and green pepper. The chicken was tender, the rice cooked to perfection. This dish was not something I'd tried before, being more of a Korma girl, but it is definitely something I would order again.

For details of the opening night check out the Facebook page or contact Shakil on 01460-64025 or 01460-66018.

You can see the latest promotions by going to the Spice Villa Indian Restaurant and Takeaway Facebook page.

Lauren Taylor

■ OWNER Shakil Hassan bringing a high class Indian restaurant to Chard to complement his already popular take away

■ LAUREN'S DELIGHT: Delicious Chef's Special Chicken with tomato and onion sauce, mushrooms and green peppers

Friends brighten up station with newly-painted phone box

FRIENDS of Crewkerne Station (FOCS) are celebrating another achievement in their campaign to tidy up the station, with a newly-painted, smart phone box.

Earlier in the year, FOCS secretary Gail Coleshill contacted BT to ask that the phone box should have some broken panes mended and that it badly needed re- painting.

She said: "BT assured us that as soon as they had painted London for the Olympics they would get down to Crewkerne. Although they couldn't do the painting, they did mend the panes fairly quickly."

At their weekly Thursday morning meeting, station volunteers were very pleased to inspect the newly-painted phone box.

Other tasks of the day included Robin Heyd-Smith vacuum cleaning the floor of the old pump-house, Ken Brewis strimming the Friends' area of the grassy bank, Brian Wolfe dealing with the planters and Jo Spiteler, Henryk Ploszik and Gail Coleshill digging out the weeds from the storage yard.

The Friends of Crewkerne Station next meet at the Old Stagecoach on Tuesday, October 3rd but volunteers meet every Thursday morning at the station for everyday tasks.

Contact Tony Reese for details on 07967947335.

News and pictures can be seen on their website www.crewkernetown.org/friendsofcrewkernestation

■ JUST LIKE NEW: Friends of Crewkerne Station pleased with the new coat by BT

Civic Society meet at old factory

CREWKERNE Civic Society are looking forward to using an unusual venue for their next meeting, which will be open to all-comers.

The September meeting will be in the old Bonsoir factory building in Abbey Street and will include an illustrated talk by Jason Mills, co-founder and managing director of Sequoia Land & Property Ltd., a firm which specialises in the acquisition, redevelopment and re-use of large underused period buildings.

They are presently transforming the old pyjama factory site into a mixed-use scheme of luxury loft apartmenst, town-houses and offices to be called Tailor's Yard.

Entitled "Bonsoir - From Luxury Pyjamas to Luxury Loft-Living", the talk will be about the premises before and during the renovation work, which is still in progress.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 12th at 7.30pm. Non- members are welcome for a £2 entry fee.

Children host their own mini Olympics

CREWKERNE Out Of School Club, which currently meets at the West One youth centre in West Street, enjoyed their own mini Olympics with 16 children aged two to 14 taking part. Sports co-ordinator Bob Brunt organised the games, including the opening ceremony and medal presentation, with the help of the club's staff members and great fun was had by all. The staff at the out of school club are among those eagerly awaiting the opening of the new George Reynolds Centre at Henhayes, where they will be one of the many community groups using its new facilities.

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Paralympic hopeful is back on her wheels after injury

WITH the London 2012 Paralympics underway, Merriott wheelchair athlete Ebony Court is back in training with high hopes for Rio 2016 thanks to the support of her village.

It was a potentially disastrous start to the year for the 21 year old, who suffers from cerebral palsy which affects her hips and makes walking for any length of time difficult. She fell down the stairs at home and broke her wrist in February, putting a halt to her regular wheelchair training sessions.

Then an illness, described as a medical enigma, struck her down for several weeks.

On the positive side it was her right wrist that was injured and, having been plated and pinned, it is now ready to be gradually strengthened again. Being right-handed, Ebony was able to continue with the shotput, javelin and discus which she does from a stool.

Battling adversity has been a daily task for Ebony, who had been predicted never to walk by doctors when she was born. But thanks to family support and her own determination she trained her body to enable her limited mobility.

She began wheelchair athletics only two years ago after school taster sessions by Somerset Activity and Sports Partnership when she learned about Yeovil Olympiads. Ebony borrowed a special chair and after a few months, began competing in Blackpool. She has since gained three golds at the Somerset County Championship.

■ BACK ON HER WHEELS: Ebony Court back in training on her wheels

Now, together with her mother, Hilary, she has taken an athletics leader course which means they can help out on the track, giving advice to others under the instruction of the coaches. They have noticed a definite increase in young people wanting to take up athletics with the Games being here this year.

Every day Ebony does core training with weights and a medicine ball and now has racing wheels and a purpose built shed with rollers for her racing chair so she can practice for the 100m and 200m in bad weather and between track training. This is thanks to fundraising by her local pub, the King's Head, led by landlady Gabbie Hirst-Derbyshire, who launched the "Ebony's Wheels" campaign, together with donations from the Crewkerne Rotary Club and a few individuals.

Mrs Hirst-Derbyshire is the sister of artist Damien Hirst and he kindly donated one of his paintings to the last fundraiser that helped the total reach £1,500. The fundraising at the pub, where Ebony's father Derek works in the bar, is ongoing and there are plans afoot to help support her all the way to Rio.

However, the specialist equipment is costly. The gloves Ebony uses are American imports at £150 a pair and her racing wheels are carbon fibre with specialist tyres. There is also a lot of travelling involved, both to train and to compete.

Before she broke her wrist, Ebony was going to Warwick University every weekend to use their specialist race track so she is extremely grateful for the on-going local support and hopes to make everyone proud with her Olympic dream in four years' time.

Good news came last week when she received a certificate from Cerebal Palsy Sport telling her that she had broken the national age group record for her classification in seated javelin with a distance of 7.30 metres. On September 22nd she heads to the CP nationals in Nottingham for more throwing.

Before her recent health issues, Ebony was a regular volunteer at the Red Cross shop in Crewkerne, where she is thought highly of by the manager Jo Hampshire and her fellow volunteers. But despite her retail experience and a BTec diploma in travel and tourism, which included a two week placement at Montecute House, she knows her disability has been a barrier to getting a job and it has knocked her confidence. Because of the nature of her illness, she has to alternate sitting and standing and she thinks potential employers don't know how to place her.

However, Ebony is now learning to drive an automatic car and hoping for more independence. She said her ideal job would be in retail but also she would love further training to become a coach and pass on her sports passion to others like her.

Communities being urged to bid for essential local services

NEIGHBOURHOODS are being urged to lobby their local county councillors with ideas on how to spend between £500 and £50,000 to give them lasting control over services.

Successful bids could mean parish and district councils, voluntary groups or other organisations taking on existing Somerset County Council services such gully clearing, community transport or grass verge cutting.

Cabinet member David Huxtable said: "The Community Enablement Fund will support neighbourhoods to run local services and facilities how they want, while the council continues to focus on large-scale countywide priorities such as social care, transport and economic growth.

"Government policy is changing the way services are provided and also how councillors represent their constituents as people to inspire action and cultivate local projects. We are looking for innovation, better value for local taxpayers and creating long-term viability of services when we award the grants, and want communities to come forward with their ideas."

The grant might be used for buying equipment or supplementing other funds, but will not be available as year-on-year funding. The council will also consider transferring assets such as offices or buildings. There is a limit of £50,000 for a single bid, unless there are compelling reasons for granting a larger sum. Collaboration between communities is also being encouraged.

Applications will be considered on a first come, first served basis and the latest date for councillors to submit an application is January 31st 2013.

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The show must go on (despite the rain)

LOTS TO SELL: Lesley Jones and Rosemary Tomson impressed with the contributions

LAUGHTER IN THE RAIN: Fete goers and organisers enjoy the refreshments in torrential rain

By Marion Draper

BLACK clouds may have turned to a full on thunderstorm on Saturday afternoon but it didn't deter Barrington villagers from enjoying their summer fete and they still flocked to the hall.

Organisers of the children's fancy dress parade hurried along the judging outside the village church as the sky became darker and although the number of entrants was a little disappointing, the children looked fabulous.

First prize went to Tommy Packham, a fan of Horrible History tales, as a very Regal King George III. Second went to Robin Hood Prince of Thieves, portrayed by Leo Nesbitt who was proud to say he was nearly three and Spanish ladies Nia and Zara Jones came joint third.

Runner up was King Richard the Lionheart, another Horrible History fan, in the shape of six year old Harry Singleton. The children walked a little quicker than usual to the village hall where the fete opened at 2pm just as the thunderstorm hit.

The Phoenix Brass band found themselves playing Born Free punctuated by thunder and lightning and a new game occurred in the field behind the hall - gazebo hopping - as people took shelter with the stallholders and tried to make a dash for the Pimms and barbecue tent.

Splat the rat may have turned into the drowned rat and the dog show could have had a new category of the driest coat, but the temperature was still warm ad everyone took the torrential rain in good spirits, as only the British can do, and carried on smiling.

Cars lined up along the road and people still arrived in droves to enjoy the indoor stalls and the teas, making it a very successful event.

KEEPING IT CHEERFUL: Phoenix Brass band played through the storm

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MP's support for 'at risk' idea

AFTER reading about Madhura Dickeson's appeal for an 'at risk" register for older people in the August 10th edition of ***The Weekender,*** local MP David Laws went to meet with the Tatworth pensioner to hear more about her ideas.

Having recently suffered distress at her own predicament, Ms Dickeson had expressed concern that there were others like herself who may be suffering a gradual decline, living in isolation and in need of assistance.

Mr Laws listened intently as she explained that when her landlords moved out of their adjoining property in order to sell, she suddenly felt more vulnerable and, coupled with her increasing degenerative rheumatoid arthritis, her health had got significantly worse. She thought her only option would be assisted living and had got herself on the waiting list for a home.

Her concern for others, like herself, who do not have family to watch out for them,was that there should be a type of 'flagging up' system, via GP listings to keep an eye on the over 70s, the disabled and the isolated. These people may be struggling to cope but not speaking out for want of knowledge or because their decline was so gradual they were actually unaware they were struggling unnecessarily.

■ TAKING CARE OF THE ELDERLY: Madhura Dickeson and David Laws MP

Ms Dickeson added that county councillor Jill Shortland had also paid her a visit since the previous article and helped her get her house assessed for ramps and other aids to help her. Consequently her spirits were lifted to the point she thought she may actually be able to stay in her own home after all.

She said: "I am able to use a computer but it still took me months to find the things I needed and I just got so tired, I didn't want to bother anymore. Others may not be able to use a computer. If there was some way of making regular checks on people, even if it was a just phone call by someone with a bit of common sense, an ordinary real person, it could make all the difference.

"Jill said it was better for me, and I agreed, if I can stay in my own home as long as possible. It's a lot cheaper I'm sure than the Government paying for me to be in a home. It's not just elderly people either, there are younger people who may be slightly disabled or just feel isolated and are not coping."

Mr Laws agreed that there was a need but with Government cutbacks, social services were probably unable to provide the type of service she was suggesting. He said that perhaps with a combination of volunteers and NHS backing something could be worked out and that he had already been approached by churches in Yeovil who helped young people, and wanted to do something similar for the elderly.

The MP said he would talk to the NHS and local social services to discuss the possibility of flagging people, with their permission, and approaching local churches or other voluntary groups to see if a support network was possible. He said he was pleased to have been brought in on the issue and would copy Ms Dickeson into any correspondence relating to it.

Ms Dickeson said it was a sad reflection that this kind of service was necessary but isolation had become a bigger issue in today's society. Originally from Kent, she was surprised to learn that in rural areas postmen often used to be the kind of watchful eye she was talking about but they no longer had the time and that many had missed the services of Meals on Wheels for the same reason.

■ COMMUNITY ENTERPRISE: Eric West and Richard Rose Winsham community shop board members

Villagers celebrate 10 years of community shop

WINSHAM shop and post office will have been a community enterprise for ten years next week and on Saturday September 8th, the volunteers will be celebrating their achievement.

The shop was saved from closure in 2002 by a large determined group of people in the parish who raised money and invested their own to save the valuable resource. The shop is also a community hub with a volunteer force of 20 assisting the staff led by managing director Roger Tett and enabling the shop to be open seven days a week.

Shares in enterprise at £10 each can still be bought by anyone who is interested in keeping the essential service going.

■ CHARD and Crewkerne After Stroke Group held a special celebration to mark 20 years of the Stroke Association.

To celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Stroke Association, the group held a lunch at Monks Yard when Perry French, the association's regional representative, presented certificates to all the Chard volunteers.

He also awarded certificates to Jenny Fielder and Chris Williams who were founder members when the Chard group met in St Mary's Church Rooms.

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Mum's the word for Becca!

YOUNG mum Becca Moon in Chard, has enjoyed being at home with her first baby even though there were a frightening few weeks when baby Layla was losing weight.

The problem turned out to be due to a tongue tie limiting the baby's ability to breast feed and, when another friend had the same problem with her son, the two decided to take a course to become volunteer breast feeding peer supporters.

Previously an administrator at Lentells Accountants, a job she took straight after school, Becca has enjoyed being a mum so much and also a part time step mum to her partner Andy Teague's two children that she was keen to find something to do to keep her at home.

Having an artistic side and a love of scrap booking, the 21-year-old tested the water last month by sewing some applique designs onto plain baby clothes and seeing how they would go down with other mums. The idea has taken off and now she is building her range under the name Ruby Tuesday and can be spotted on regular raids of cotton material around Chard.

Becca gets her sketching and sewing done at nap time and when Andy minds the baby after work. The couple launched the Little Purple Kitty fundraising group after Andy's daughter Chloe was diagnosed with leukaemia almost a year ago and Becca is also working on the idea of a fundraising range using the logo designed for them free by Adam Tovey.

60 seconds

WHAT made you decide to start Ruby Tuesday?
I just love being with Layla so much, and after what has happened to Chloe it made me think that you don't know what is around the corner.
I love messing about with scraps of things and personalising stuff and wanted something to do that means I can be there for my baby but still contribute an income, I just wish I'd started it when I was pregnant and had more time!

WHAT do you like best about being a mum?
I love every single bit, even the getting up in the night because it means I get an extra cuddle.
I love involving her in whatever I am doing, if I'm cooking I give her something to hold or taste and when I'm sewing I give her some fabric to play with.
It is harder being a step mum but I love having them here and they are great with Layla, they dote on her and help me out.

HOW has the last year been with a new baby and the scare with Chloe?
An absolute whirlwind, on September 13th it will be a year. It has been very humbling and given us all a different perspective on life, that's why I want to be a stay at home mum, because you don't know what life is going to throw at you.

WOULD you like to see Ruby Tuesday expand?
Potentially I'd love it to expand as far as it can, I want to go to craft fairs and it would be lovely to be able to employ some other mums who want to work at home.

WHAT kind of music do you like?
I love classic rock, Rolling Stones and Eric Clapton and hence the baby's name Layla. I play saxophone, flute and piano and got to play with Andy's band the other night.
My all-time favourite is really obscure, Mayonnnaise by Smashing Pumpkins.

WHAT three things would you want on your desert island?
Butt wipes, Facebook and chunky peanut butter. I made some myself with olive oil and butter and Layla loved it but it doesn't keep long.

DO you like living in Chard?
I do but my heart is still in the village. I came from Tatworth, I love to walk in the countryside but we are right next to the cycle path here so we often go to the reservoir and feed the birds or walk as far as the Stonemasons in Ilminster or the Royal Oak in Donyatt, so Andy can have a pint.

WHY did you do the breast feeding course?
My friend and I had to go to Langport for advice when we were having trouble and we want to set up a support group here is Chard at Clare House.
It can be very distressing when a baby doesn't feed properly and fathers need advice as well because they feel so helpless. I never would have kept going if Andy hadn't encouraged me.

DO you have any advice for other breast feeding mums?
Don't be afraid to seek help, it is hard work at the beginning but is the best most rewarding feeling if you persevere and there is help out there if you need it.

DO you have any unfulfilled ambitions?
My thing is I have always wanted to play my flute at the Albert Hall. It doesn't even have to be the flute, just to be part of an orchestra there would be it for me.

IF you won silly money what would you do?
I'd get a house for everybody in my family and have ten children. I'd still like to run a business though and I'd have to have a house just for the fabrics!

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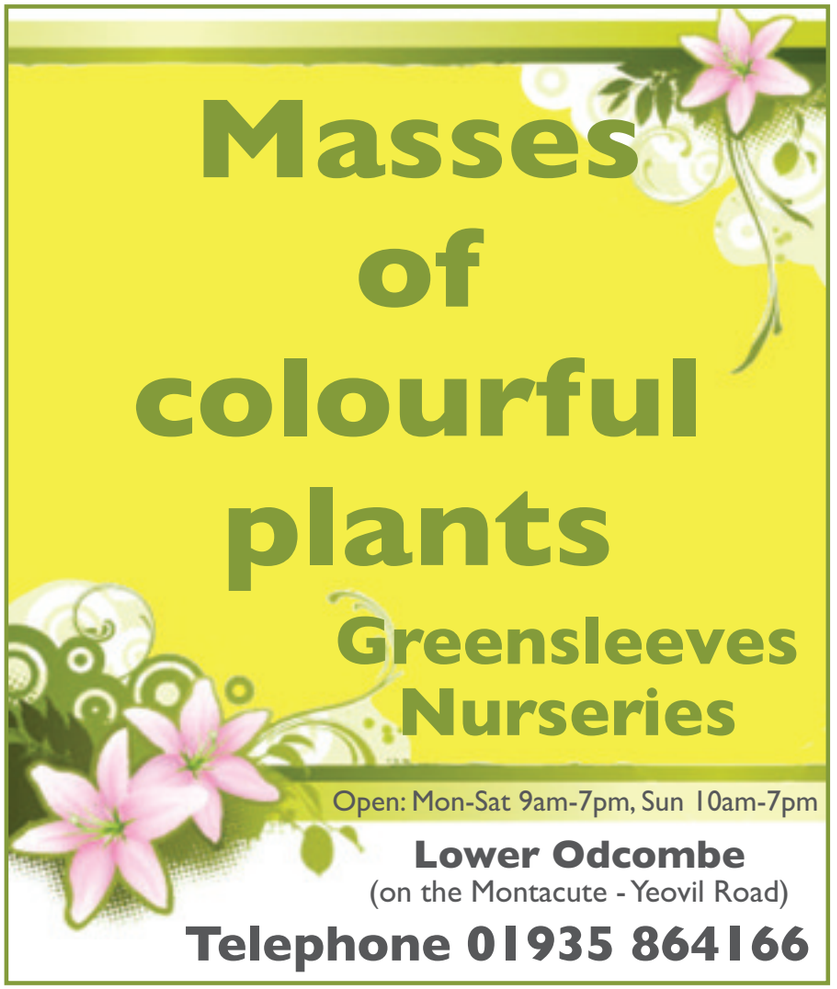

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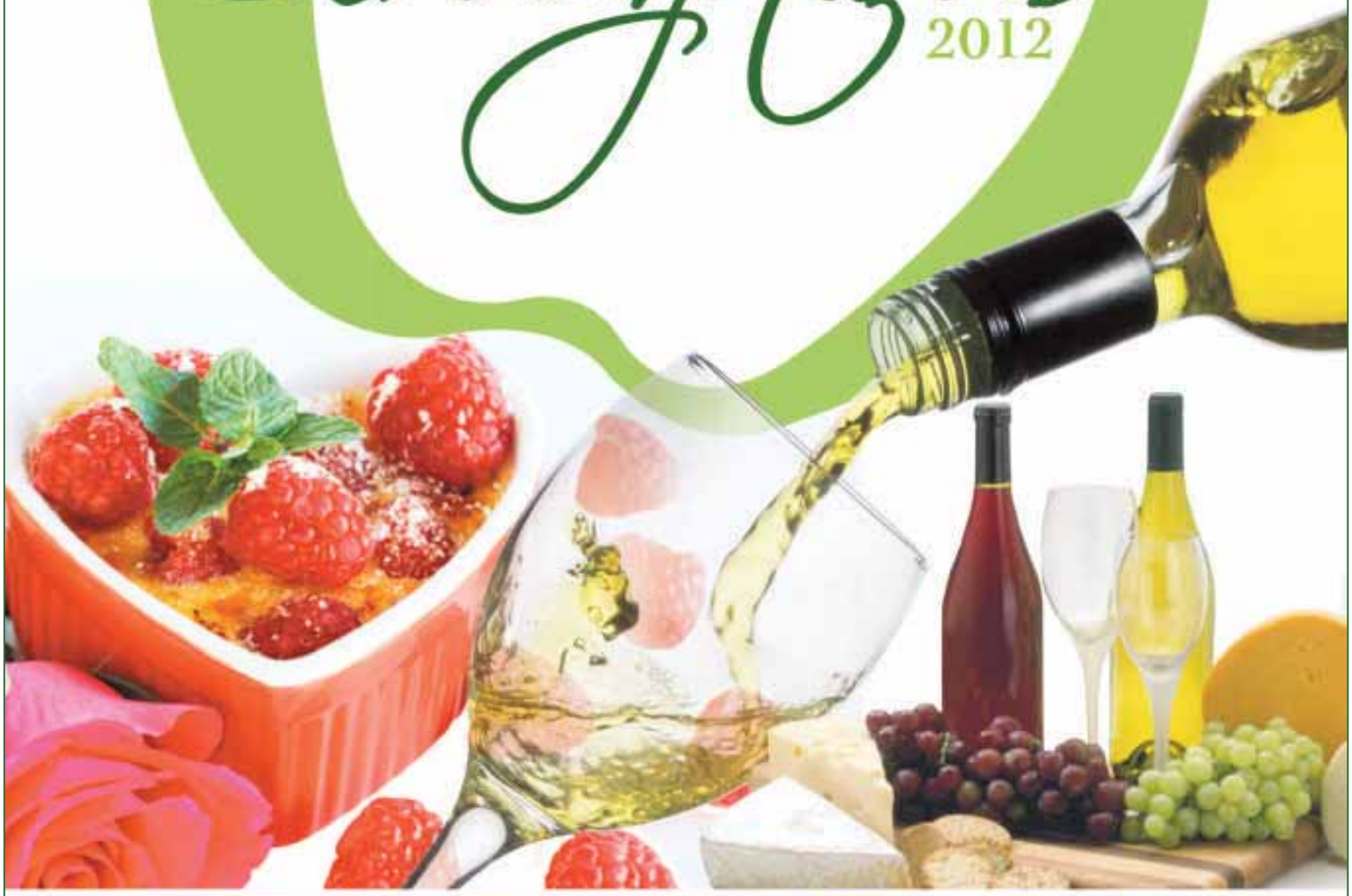

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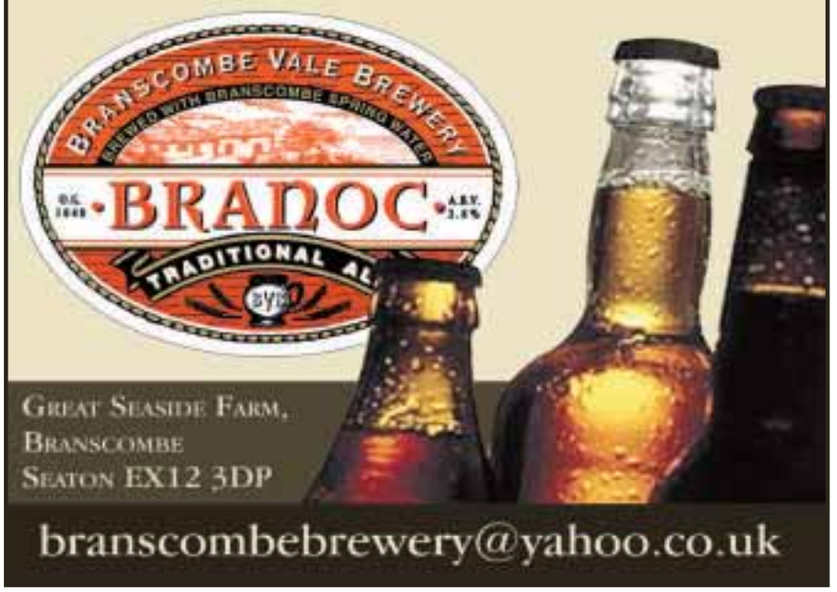

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AUTUMN is a great time to visit Lyme's nationally renowned, yet tiny, Town Mill Cheesemonger. The county fairs are over, and the specialist cheese shows are in full swing. Justin Tunstall, the cheesemonger, judges at many of those events and takes the opportunity to bring in guest cheeses to add to the wide range of West Country produce already in stock. He and his team can recommend great accompaniments to bring out the best in your cheeses: wines, biscuits, preserves and much more. If you've a wedding or other celebration coming up, have you considered a cake of tiers of cheese? Pop down to Lyme's historic Town Mill and find out about these and lots of other great ways to delight your tastebuds. Open daily until the Half Term.

Charmouth Bakery

HISTORY shows that there has been a village bakers in Charmouth since before 1840, and it was in precisely the same place as it is today – Barrs Lane, Charmouth.

Owners Liesa and Roger employ a team who all deal with baking, taking orders, delivering and selling their goods to the passing general public.

They sell a wide variety of freshly baked everyday loaves, from white, oat, seeded, cottage, cob, rye, granary, wholemeal, and spelt.

Also available is a choice of white and wholemeal organic loaves, bread rolls, French sticks, croissants, Danish pastries, a range of different flavoured flapjacks and vegetarian savouries to name a few.

Charmouth Bakery are proud to say that their products are made with non-hydrogenated fats and with top quality ingredients, they believe you can taste this in their products.

With over 50 outlets that they deliver to, and being open to the public, Charmouth Bakery will also supply and deliver to businesses, shops, farm shops, restaurants and general public for parties, barbecues or special events. this can be from rolls for your barbecue or a selection of Danishes and cakes for a party.

Why not visit Charmouth Bakery between 8.00am – 4.00pm Monday to Saturday and treat yourself and your family to a fresh loaf, French stick or a cake, or give them a call on 01297 560213 if you would like to place a order - you don't know what you're missing!

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Available to order or from our premises
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Or visit our website at
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Old Watch House

OLD Watch House Fresh Fish source what is seasonally available from registered local Lyme Bay fishermen in Lyme Regis, Bridport, Beer, Charmouth, Seaton and Sidmouth. Brown Crab and Lobster, plenty of flapping Dover Sole, Plaice and nice stiff Mackerel as well as new and old favourites such as Dabs, Whiting and Pollack, to name a few sustainable varieties.

In order to get the prices down to you we also cut out the middleman by buying first hand at Brixham market. So whether you're in Ottery St. Mary, Lyme Regis, Exeter or Kilmington, we can guarantee you a better price.

We sell dived scallops (from the same diver that supplies Jamie Oliver's restaurants).

Cracking fresh natural smoked Haddock and Kippers come from Hull and Whitby.

By all means ask us if you want to know the source of your fish by phoning the Lyme shop on 01297 444205, Ottery Saint Mary shop on 01404 814005 or Simon's mobile on 07815528020, during open hours:

Lyme - 9.30am-5pm 7 days a week.
Ottery - 9am 'til 4.30 Tuesday through to Saturday.
Millers - 9am 'til 5pm Fridays and Saturdays.
Exeter High Street Farmers Market - every Thursday 8.30am 'til 2pm.

Old Watch House Fresh Fish will be featuring on My Tasty Travels with Lynda Bellingham, the show sees the actress travelling across the UK over the summer sampling some of the country's best ingredients, tune in to ITV1 at 4pm on 17th September!

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FREE FUN DAY OUT AT HAM HILL FAYRE

FINAL preparations for this year's Ham Hill Fayre are being made and the rangers are delighted that the event will provide plenty of opportunities for people to get involved with heritage and countryside at this fantastic Iron Age site.

The free family day out on Saturday, September 1st is taking place in the area around the rangers office. From 11am, you can visit the rangers and other stalls to make willow headdresses and swords. Have your face painted in woad to become an Iron Age warrior and make your own shield. Witness the domestic life of the Iron Age tribe and welcome the Roman centurions who occupied the fort.

Wildlife and countryside groups will also be joining in with the day, with stalls and retailers from the local area and there will be horse and carriage rides around the flat meadows so you can experience a more traditional way of travelling.

Ham Hill Archaeology is hosting an open day at the same time. Visit the archaeologists to see the dig in action, view the finds and understand more about the fascinating past of the hill. This was the largest hillfort in Britain with some parts densely occupied. Recent discoveries include an Iron Age house built in the back of the rampart using Ham stone - until now, it was thought that the first use of the local stone had been by the Romans www.hamhillfort.info

Visitors to the Fayre and the dig are asked to park in the usual country park gravel car parks. A further overflow car park will be opened in one of the flat fields adjacent to the archaeological dig, a short walk - or horse and carriage ride - from the Fayre. Parking on the loop road to the pub, will be restricted to disabled visitors only.

More information on the Fayre and other events led by the Country Park Rangers, on www.southsomersetcountryside.com, You can now follow the ranger team on twitter @SSDCCountryside

What's Happening at Ilminster Arts Centre

by Sara Loveridge

MAKE Ilminster Arts Centre your starting point for exploring the county during **Somerset Art Weeks** - by setting off early and taking in the delights of **Backbone III** from 4th-14th. The exhibition showcases the artistic talents of the volunteers and associates who make the arts centre a vibrant place to be, and without whom it would not exist.

Join us for the launch of the **SCAN Signpost Exhibition for Somerset Art Weeks** on 16th. Meet the artists of Somerset Contemporary Artists Network from 6-8pm, while enjoying an exciting collection of art that offers a flavour of the work they will be showing in their own studios during the county-wide celebration of the visual arts. Exhibition continues until 29th (at noon).

We have an amazing month of music to look forward to, starting with UK Jazz Award winners **Julian Marc Stringle and Jim Hart with The Craig Milverton Trio** on 7th. They will be playing a tribute to the clarinet playing of Benny Goodman and Buddy De Franco, and the vibraphone playing of Lionel Hampton, Terry Gibbs and Victor Feldman.

Expect an atmospheric evening of music and readings when **Concerts in the West** present **Wessex Baroque** on 14th (see www.concertsinthewest.org).

Get up and dance or sit and soak up the club atmosphere at our **Latin Jazz Special featuring Riamba** on 28th. Performing Cuban (Son/Salsa), Brazilian (Bossa Nova/Samba) and Latin jazz, Riamba is one of the most sought after Latin bands on the London scene today, with individual musicians having performed with the likes of Björk, Ricky Martin, The Ghanaian Dance Ensemble, Stewart Copeland (The Police), Taj Mahal, and The Temptations.

Discover a wide range of stalls selling quality food and goods from local makers and producers at our **Local Craft and Produce Market** this Saturday (1st).

Bring along your treasured items to the **Valuation Day** on 19th when the team from Bearnes, Hampton and Littlewood will be offering free valuations, then find further treasures at the **Antiques and Vintage Collectables** on 22nd.

The annual **Macmillan Coffee Morning** takes place on 28th, so come and support our volunteers and Café team while enjoying delicious coffee and cakes for a good cause.

It may be back to school for the young ones but for grown-ups we have a fantastic series of creative workshops to choose from, including; **Clay Sculpture, Writing, Watercolour, Oil Painting, Drawing, Knitting, Felt Making, Rag Rugs, Soft Furnishings, Crazy Patchwork** and a **Readers' Group.**

Due to the popularity of our children's workshops over the summer holidays we are organising a range of activities for the October Half Term. Details will be announced shortly so watch this space!

Booking details: 01460 54973
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info@themeetinghouse.org.uk
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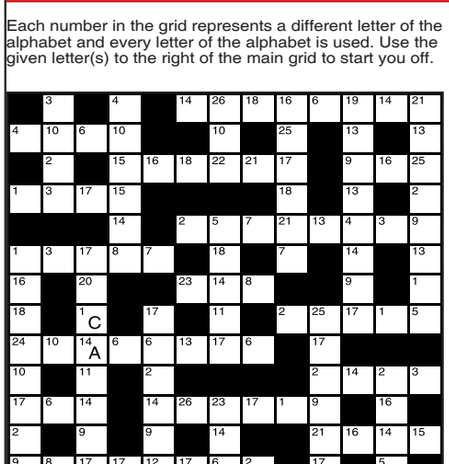
Brain Gym

No.184

Codeword

Each number in the grid represents a different letter of the alphabet and every letter of the alphabet is used. Use the given letter(s) to the right of the main grid to start you off.



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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

1 E	2 N	3 T	4 B	5 L	6 A	7 M	8 Z	9 F	10 X	11 I	12 H	13 U
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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

Cryptic Clues:

Across

4. Visible understanding? (7)
8. Wayward ladies become models (6)
9. He doesn't believe in field organisation (7)
10. Small change? (6)
11. He counts and recounts (6)
12. Go through some poetry just to be obstinate (8)
18. Ancient writers made their point with it (8)
20. Fuss about the French in Spain (6)
21. Aptly, a service the abstainer takes comfort in! (3-3)
22. Sid gets mixed up in summaries (7)
23. Hundred and fifty always able (6)
24. They're entitled to strike out (7)

Down

1. Steals the child while it sleeps? (7)
2. Goes off and finds another partner? (7)
3. Hackneyed description of some botanic lichens (6)
5. What one requires to complete the score (8)
6. It hangs about in the cold (6)
7. Inclined to have had shoe repairs? (6)
13. Journalist about to take a drink (8)
14. Letter for a girl I've finished (7)
15. Wrestle like boxers (7)
16. Observe it's not frozen solid (6)
17. Revolting subjects (6)
19. Eagerly Len rummaged about in the locker (6)

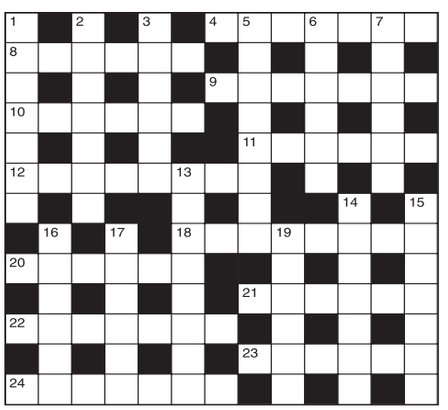
Quick Clues:

Across

4. Ratify (7)
8. Proof-corrector (6)
9. Comfort (7)
10. Fastidious (6)
11. Alleviation (6)
12. Penitent (8)
18. Clear (8)
20. Fawn (6)
21. Out-and-out (6)
22. Against (7)
23. Package (6)
24. Uprightness (7)

Down

1. Yield (7)
2. Prominent (7)
3. Restrain (6)
5. Advance (8)
6. Outcome (6)
7. Dale (6)
13. Unbecoming (8)
14. Babyhood (7)
15. Majestic (7)
16. Seemly (6)
17. Bury (6)
19. Menace (6)



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS:
CRYPTIC - Across: 1 Sheet-anchor; 9 Log; 10 Tradition; 11 Theta; 13 Elapsed; 14 Entomb; 16 Repose; 18 Prelate; 19 Beset; 20 Guileless; 21 Won; 22 Stateliness. Down: 2 Hug; 3 Extra; 4 Abased; 5 Coinage; 6 Omissions; 7 Clothes-pegs; 8 Inadvertent; 12 Extremist; 15 Meanest; 17 Reveal; 19 Basin; 21 Was. QUICK - Across: 1 Intentional; 9 Apt; 10 Directive; 11 Eider; 13 Cruiser; 14 Outset; 16 Perish; 18 Narrate; 19 Resin; 20 Energetic; 21 Foe; 22 At all events. Down: 2 Net; 3 Elder; 4 Thrice; 5 Occlude; 6 Amidships; 7 Take counsel; 8 Reprehended; 12 Detergent; 15 Evangel; 17 Nettle; 19 Ruche; 21 Fit.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

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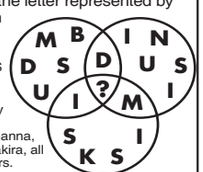
Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION: The letter represented by the question mark is A. Rihanna, Madonna, Shakira, all female popstars.

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Brand new Countryside Show arrives in Somerset

THIS year we see the addition of a new countryside show based in Haselbury Plucknett, near Crewkerne. The event previously running for the last two years as a horse and dog show has seen a major revamp.

This year's show will take place on Saturday, September 1st 2012, starting at 9am. It will see the addition of a new main ring staging exciting displays such as dog agility, and natural horsemanship, A new separate area for members of the public if they wish to display their collections of classic and vintage vehicles, And the addition of a car boot area, open to the public at £5 per stall.

The foundations of the show have once again stayed the same with 4 rings for horses including ridden showing, In hand showing, Showjumping, clear round, And a separate Kennel club licenced dog show starting at 1.30pm hosting a range of novelty and pedigree classes.

The show organised by 18 year old student Chad Osborne and the help of his committee has previously been held in support of national charities such as Help For Heros (Due to his status within Crewkerne Army cadets) & The Dorset And Somerset Air Ambulance in 2010 over £1000 was donated to charities. Kerry, Chad's Mum organised the first event in 1999 to raise money for Cancer Research UK after her grandfather passed away from the disease.

This year however the committee have made the decision to hold the show in support of local charities of organisations, with the intention of supporting the direct local community. The show organisers will be holding a presentation evening In North Perrott Village Hall on Tuesday, September 11th starting at 7.30pm at which cheques for local charities and organisations will be presented.

Schedules can be found on the shows website www.haselburycountrysideday.yolasite.com

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Events

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Church Service - All welcome

Every Tuesday 9:30am and 11:30am & 7.30pm
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Lose weight the extra easy way.
Come along and find out how

Every other Wednesday, next meeting 12th September
10:30am - 12:30pm
MEMORY CAFE
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Every Thursday, 9am - 2pm
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Events

We are busy bees at
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Wedding Fair
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Every Tuesday from 10am until 2.30pm
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Entertainment and lunch for the over 70s
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The centre can also be hired for dinners and parties
For further details please contact
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Ferne Animal Sanctuary

Sunday 2nd September

FUN DOG SHOW

Registration from 12pm - judging starts at 1pm

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FRIDAY AUGUST 31ST
EAST COKER: Cancer Research UK Coffee Morning at Helyer Arms from 10am - 12noon. @2.50 coffee cake and raffle.
CREWKERNE: Country Market at the Henhayes Community Centre, Crewkerne... 9am –11.30am. All fresh local produce. Vegetables, cakes, bread, flowers and much more.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 1ST
CHARD: Popular Fayre. At The Guildhall. Various Stalls including Records, Handmade knit wear, Crafts and Craft Making. Refreshments available. Doors open from 9am until 12.30pm.
CHARD: A Councilors' surgery is being held in the Guildhall Chard from 10am until 11am.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 2ND
CREWKERNE: Are you over 70 or do you know anyone over 70?
Do you, or they like a laugh, eating with friends and generally having a good time? If so, Tuesday at The Henhayes Centre could be the place to be. Come to The Henhayes Centre at 10am for either a cup of tea and biscuits and stay until 2.30pm after enjoying a wholesome lunch. All this for £5.50 and transport can be arranged. Please ring 01460 74340 for more information.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 5TH
CLAPTON: Sew, knit & natter at Clapton & Wayford Village Hall, 10.30am; all welcome, for more details call 01460 72837
CHARD: Screen at the Guildhall annual general meeting to be held in Chard Museum at 7.30pm. All welcome. Enquiries: David Ricketts 07941 585823 or satgchard@hotmail.co.uk
CREWKERNE: Join us at The Henhayes Community Centre, Crewkerne for a fun afternoon of Bingo 2.30pm to 4pm. £4.20 for 6 books of 12 games. Cash prizes

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 6TH
CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Film Society's new season begins, showing 'The Help' at 8pm in the village hall. Doors open/refreshments on sale at 7.30pm. New members very welcome; details from Mick (01460 74849) or Marilyn (01460 77062)
CREWKERNE: Over 50 and want to enjoy keeping fit? Come to The Henhayes Community Centre, Crewkerne for Over 50's Keep Fit from 10am to 11am. £3 session (members £2).
CREWKERNE: Bingo at The Henhayes Community Centre. "Eyes down" at 7.30pm

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 6TH - SATURDAY SEPT 8TH
CHARD: Chard and District Museum and Heritage Centre will be participating in the national Heritage Open Days event. Open 10.30am to 4.30pm each day. Free entry with activities including folk music, Bill the Bodger, local artists paintings, arts and crafts, hand lace making (Saturday am), model aircraft, bric a brac, second-hand books and tombola. Tea and coffee will be available. Enquiries to 07941 585823 or info@chardmuseum.co.uk; also www.heritageopendays.org.uk

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 7TH
CREWKERNE: Country Market at the Henhayes Community Centre, Crewkerne... 9am –11.30am. All fresh local produce. Vegetables, cakes, bread, flowers and much more.

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 8TH
CHARD: Cash Bingo at Crowshute House, starting at 7pm. Refreshments and a large raffle.
SOUTH PETHERTON: Photographic Exhibition at Blake Hall, Market Square from 10am-4pm. Exhibition of members' prints; get help with photo and camera queries; bring 35mm slides and film to see them digitised; see the club's programme for the coming season; buy 2013 South Petherton calendars; cast your votes in two competitions. Free entry and free refreshments.

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 10TH
MISTERTON: Bingo at Misterton Village Hall in aid of the Epilepsy Association. Doors open at 6.45pm and eyes down at 7.30pm. £1 per bingo book of 10 games, a line and house prize for each game. Line prizes are worth approx £10-£15 and house prizes are worth approx £25-£50 per game. Also a raffle of over 40 prizes and name the teddy. Interval with refreshments.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 12TH
TATWORTH: Tea & Talk subject Complementary Therapy at Tatworth Memorial Hall from 2pm. Organised by Tatworth Active Living, for more details call 01460 220198.
CREWKERNE: "Bonsoir - From Luxury Pyjamas to Luxury Loft-living". An illustrated talk by Jason Mills, Managing Director of Sequoia Land & Property Ltd. 7.30 pm at the old Bonsoir Factory in Abbey Street. Organised by Crewkerne Civic Society. All Welcome. Non-members £2
CHARD: "Memory Cafe" Are you caring for someone with memory loss or dementia? Then join us every alternate Wednesday morning for a friendly and informal gathering, for information, support and social contact for people affected by dementia. From 10:30am - 12:30pm. For further information please contact Becky Marsh, Social Events Co-ordinator 07803 115488 or the Yeovil office on 01935 473597 Email southandeastsomerset@alzheimers.org.uk

WEDNESDAY SEPT 12TH - SATURDAY SEPT 15TH
CREWKERNE: CUDOS presents a musical "A Funny Thing Happened on the way to the Forum" at Victoria Hall 7.30pm nightly. Tickets from Crewkerne Town Hall or 01460 74380.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 14TH
CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall - Luncheon club, mid-day for 12.30pm start. All welcome, but please book places in advance by phoning June (01460 77057)

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 15TH
NORTH PERROTT: Amusing tuneful talk "A blast from the past" part 2 by Jonathan Weeks. Saturday September 15th, 7pm, North Perrott Church. Tickets £8/£2 01460 72883
CLAPTON: Clapton & Wayford Village Hall - jumble sale, 2pm; also plants, tombola & refreshments. Hall open for donations from 10am-mid-day. Information from Jackie (01460 72324)
SOUTH PERROTT: Jumble Sale at South Perrott Village Hall (A356). In aid of St Marys Church, Cancer Care, Millennium Green.

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 17TH
CREWKERNE: Crewkerne Awareness September Meeting. Guest Speaker: Carolyne Taylor on the topic Elemental Palmistry. At the Meeting Room, Unitarian Chapel, Crewkerne. 7pm - 10pm. Admission £2.50 (includes light refreshments). Everyone Welcome. Further details telephone Anastasia on 01460 78673.
CHARD: "Chard, Ilminster & District U3A" monthly meeting is being held in the Guildhall Chard from 2pm until 4pm.

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 18TH
CHARD: Film: Best Exotic Marigold Hotel screen at the Guildhall, Fore Street. Admission £5, doors open 7pm for film at 7.30pm. Organised by Screen at the Guildhall.

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Local men lose 11 stone with Slimming World

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John joined because he stopped smoking, had breathing difficulties and his BMI was over 39 (20 -25 being the norm). Robert joined for the same reason. He also stopped smoking and his deciding factor was when he couldn't bend down to tie his shoe laces!

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Having seen the banner they both took the plunge and after weeks of agonising they joined Slimming World and have not looked back. John couldn't believe that he could still go out with his mates to play skittles and enjoy the after game meal; Robert could still enjoy his weekly takeaway with the right choices. Slimming World has fitted into their lives and has now become part of it, even enjoying their favourite meals – curry and spaghetti bolognaise.

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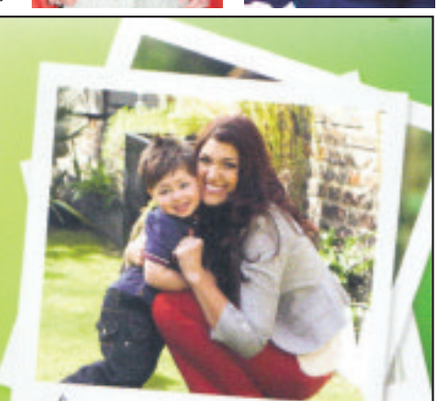

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It is not only the overall result that is a record-high. The all-new Volvo V40's protection for adults for was also the best result ever recorded in a test, no less than 98 per cent. During the development of the all-new Volvo V40, the goal was to build in the same safety level as in larger cars. The holistic approach, a strong structure and systems such as the WHIPS whiplash protection system form the basis for the excellent result.

In the safety assist category, the Volvo V40 scores maximum points. "The new Volvo V40 was launched as the most intelligent and the safest car in its segment, and it is truly packed with active safety systems such as auto brake, Pedestrian Detection to shield pedestrians, Lane Keeping Aid which helps the driver stay within his or her lane, and BLIS which helps the driver detect vehicles in the offset rear 'blind spot'," says Thomas Broberg.

In the pedestrian protection category too, the Volvo V40 sets a new record. One important factor here is the innovative, unique pedestrian airbag. Sensors in the front of the car detect any contact with a pedestrian. A pyrotechnical charge releases the bonnet hinges and elevates the bonnet with the help of an airbag. The inflated airbag's cushioning effect combined with the increased distance to the hard components in the engine compartment help protect the pedestrian's head in any impact. The Euro NCAP description of the system says, among other things, that "the system worked well, the bonnet offering good protection in all areas likely to be struck by a pedestrian's head, making the V40 the first car to score maximum points in this area."

Volvo Car Corporation had already previously received the Euro NCAP Advanced Award for its City Safety system, which is fitted as standard in all versions of the V40. City Safety operates at speeds of up to 31 mph, which is more than any other car manufacturer offers in similar systems.

"We work continuously on improving the already high safety level of our cars through ongoing research into the reasons behind road accidents and by gaining in-depth understanding of the results of actual collisions," says Thomas Broberg.

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New-generation Kia Cee'd awarded top safety score by Euroncap

THE all-new Kia cee'd, which went on sale 1 June, has been awarded a maximum 5-Star accident safety rating by Europe's leading road safety organisation, EuroNCAP.

The five-door hatchback achieved high scores for Adult Occupant Protection (89%), Child Occupant Protection (88%) and Safety Assist equipment (86%), recording the maximum possible score in the dynamic element of the Child Occupant Safety test. EuroNCAP testers were also impressed with the inclusion of electronic stability control across the entire new cee'd range in Europe ahead of it becoming a compulsory test criteria.

"The previous generation cee'd was the first Kia to achieve a 5-star EuroNCAP rating. In the last five years, testing criteria have become tougher, making it harder for manufacturers' products to be awarded top marks. It is a testament to Kia's on going commitment to vehicle safety that we are able to once again achieve a high score for the cee'd," comments Benny Oeyen, Vice President Marketing and Product Planning, Kia Motors Europe.

"From the outset of the new model's development, Kia's engineers were dedicated to creating a car that delivers sophistication and refinement as well as the very best safety technology to protect drivers, their families and pedestrians in the event of an accident," concludes Oeyen.

Standard safety equipment fitted to the new cee'd across Europe includes six airbags (front, side and curtain), seat-belt reminders (front and rear), ESC (Electronic Stability Control), HAC (Hill Assist Control) to prevent roll-back, VSM (Vehicle Stability Management) and ESS (Emergency Stop Signal) which flashes the brake lights when the driver is making an emergency stop.

Following the success of the cee'd in the EuroNCAP ratings, 10 September sees the launch of its stable-mate, the cee'd Sportswagon which will be tested at a later date.

The new cee'd joins five other Kia models, Rio, Venga, Soul, Sportage and Sorento, in scoring a 5-Star rating in EuroNCAP crash test results.

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JACK HIGH BOWLS NEWS

Victory needed at Portishead

ILMINSTER *with Des Maull*
SOMERSET COUNTY LEAGUE
On Saturday, August 25th Ilminster A were at home to **Yeovil A** In a match reduced to 11 ends due to the appalling weather.

Ilminster won on two rinks and lost on one and by 35 shots to 27 (10pts to 2).

Ilminster scores: Neil Rowe, Alan Holt, Peter Mattravers and Phil Downes 13 D Blewett 7. Bill Anderson, Dave Hynard, Jason Miles and Mark Denslow 13 M Tritton 9. Sam Webster, David Pugh, John Ridout and Louis Ridout 9 P Colby 11.

Ilminster are scheduled to visit **RBL Portishead** tomorrow needing to win in the final match in the chase for the Championship.

Ilminster B played two matches over the weekend losing to **Williton** and **Bridgwater A**. The scores (at Williton) Ilminster Des Maull, Tony Cole, Rod Parkin and Eric Keitch 17 A Sully 10. Andy Williams, Malcome Norton, John Osborne and Barry Sims 10 D Donald 23. Dean Patmore,Roger Brown, Keith Swift and Kevin Hamilton 24 R Amery 21. Overall score: 51-54 (4pts to 8)

At Bridgwater – Ilminster: Cliff Whelan, Malcolm Norton, Dave Crouch and Barry Sims 14 C Finch 21. Des Maull, Tony Cole, Rod Parkin and Eric Keitch 12 N Allen 25. Dean Patmore, Roger Brown, Keith Swift and Kevin Hamilton 18 A Marsh 22. Overall score: 44 Shots to 68.

Ilminster C were at home to **Westlands** in a match that was disrupted by rain and ended after 11 ends with Westlands winning 38- 30.

Ilminster scores: R Robinson, Jack Newman, Steve Yarrow and Robin Trump 8 F Matthews 14. Ian Dunford, Gary Riste, Mike King and Briane Davies 10 B Collins 12. Colin Osborne, Anton Riemann, Derek Carter and Roy Orme 12 G Windeatt 12.

In the Wessex Mixed Triples Ilminster played away to **Chard** on Monday winning on two rinks and losing on one and by 56 shots to 48 (8pts to 2).

Ilminster scores: Heather Sims, Des Maull and Eric Keitch 23 R Genges 12. Betty Marner, Mike King and David Crouch 23 D Lawrence 19.Val Dargue, John Osborne and Barry Sims 10 B Sams 17.

On Tuesday Ilminster were at home to **Wincanton** winning on all rinks and by 50 shots to 27 (10pts to 0).

Ilminster scores: Tony Cole, Rita Grout and Royston Grout 22 G Finlathut 9. Dave Wallis, Val Dargue and Roy Orme 12 R Whitehead 9 Sylvia Read, Eric Keitch and Mike King 16 L Slade 9.

On Thursday **Gillingham** were the visitors to Ilminster in their last match of the season in this league Ilminster winning by 62 shots to 48.

Ilminster scores: Heather Sims, Malcolm Norton and Barry Sims 27 P Terry 9. Lyn Williams David Crouch and Andy Williams 21 B Smith 20.

SEVERALLS *with Pru Robbins*
ON Tuesday, August 21st we travelled to **Sherborne** for a Wessex Mixed Friendly League game played in very pleasant weather conditions.

After a very competitive game Severalls won on two of the four rinks losing by seven shots overall (81–88) gaining four of the 16 points available.

Rink scores: N.Patel, C.Phinn, Ann Larcombe and M.Rawe 13 B.Plympton 25. M.Gilbert, H. Leamon, A.Dow and K.Leamon 21 P.Cutler 28. N.Austin, Alec Larcombe, S.Rees and D.Rees 29 H.Paull 18. S.Hodder, S.Phinn, W.Gilbert and D.Wallis 18 J.Nunn 17.

On Thursday, August 23rd we were away again - this time at Charmouth for a friendly three-rink triples match which was also played in pleasant summer weather.

We won on one of the three rinks and overall by two shots (49-47).

Rink scores: B.Turner, J.Stacey and M.Rawe 13-19. S.Phinn, A.Dow and D.Wallis 19–22. P.Loaring, C.Phinn and R.Devney 17–6.

CHARDSTOCK *with Gordon Bodily*
ON Tuesday, August 14th our visitors were **Honiton BC** to play a four-rink mixed friendly match,

Scores: T Bird, T Dredge, M Davenport and A Day 33 R Binmore 11. M Rogers, G Bodily, Barbara Sluman and M Toms 13 T Broughton 19. Phylis Baldwin, J Rolph, Veena Cole and N Denslow 25 H Critchley 16. B Howard, Ann Dredge, D Eldridge and K Wakelin 27 A Fuller 16. Final score: Chardstock 98 Honiton 62.

On Thursday, August 16th 12 members made the short journey to **Chard BC** to play a four-rink mixed triples match.

Scores: T Bird, T Dredge and Barbara Sluman 11 B Pinder 23. M Rogers, G Bodily and A Day 15 B Sams 28. A Callagan, A Dredge and N Denslow 18 R Genge 13. Ann Dredge, D Eldridge and K Wakelin 25 S Fowler 13. Final score: Chard 77 Chardstock 69.

On Wednesday, August 22nd we staged a mens over 60s match against **St Thomas BC**. Scores: J Tucker, M Toms and N Denslow 20 N Aitkin 17. K Warren, K Wakelin and P Compton 24 H Leslie 12. Final score: Chardstock 24 St Thomas 29.

The following day our visitors were **Queen Camel BC** to play a four-rink mixed friendly match.

Scores: R Wines, T Dredge and Barbara Sluman 24 A Jones 8. A Callagan, J Tucker and K Wakelin 28 B Ridout 14. B Vickers, Sheila Jeffery and A Day 18 A North 19. A Dredge, G Bodily and N Denslow 17 L Crinks 13. Final score: Chardstock 87 Queen Camel 54.

■ **NARROW DEFEAT: Ilminster's Double Rink narrowly lost by four shots (37-33) in a very competitive final of the Bowls England National Club Two Fours competition against Garston BC (Herefordshire) at Beach House Park,Worthing last Thursday, (August 23rd) evening.**

Rink scores Ilminster: Bill Anderson, Jason Miles, Mark Denslow and Neil Kunc 18 M Colers 17. Matt Hamilton, John Ridout, Phil Downes and Louis Ridout 15 J Rumball 20.

Scrum down - Rugby season preview

WITH KEITH JENKIN

THE local rugby season commences tomorrow.
CHARD quite simply, have enjoyed an absolutely brilliant run on the field over the last two seasons, under the guiding hand of coach, Steve Broom.

Some 18 months ago I watched them win a play-off that took them into a promotion place and, on the back of their performance on that occasion, I forecast that they would make their mark in the Western Counties Division. I did not foresee just how big a mark that would be.

Throughout the 2011/2012 season they topped their new division, coping with the efforts of all challengers and, in the end, emerging as very worthy champions.

All that is in the past however. Within the next few days they will begin their South West League Division campaign and in season 2012/2013 will compete at the highest level that the club has done throughout its history.

How will they fare at the higher level? On the plus side they have most of their last season's squad still available, with the possible exception of open side Ryan Hellier who is travelling down south.

They played with a tempo and zest last season and, if they take that with them, then I think that they will prosper. They do need cover in one or two positions, but what side does not.

I have watched a fair bit of South West Division rugby in recent times and, while they should be aware that they are now entering the era of the semi-professional player, while they themselves remain amateur (something I applaud).

I think that they will fill a mid-table place at the season's end. Mind you, that prophesy was the nub of my last year's prediction and we all know what happened!

The Chard club's on field success last season was not confined to its first side. The second side won promotion into the Somerset League Division One, something it really needed to do if it was to continue to act as a feeder unit to its first side effectively.

The Chard third side did manage to avoid following the other two into a promotion place, although its members will tell anyone who cares to ask, that it could have done, had it wanted to!

In the end it ended the season occupying the third place in the Somerset league Division Three (South) and had a lot of fun along the way.

Just over the hill from Chard, near neighbours CREWKERNE are also on the up and up. They ended last season rather disappointed to be pipped into third place in the Somerset League Division Two (South) and have the avowed intent of rectifying that in the 2012/2013 season by winning a promotion place.

Crewkerne's improvement has come at a slow, rather more measured place, starting as it did from a very thin player base in a town where the sport is not played at the local school.

To combat this the club started a junior section several years ago, and it now proposes to enter a second side in the Somerset third division (South).

Their ground, Henhayes, has undergone considerable changes in recent times. These are now completed and I understand that a new clubhouse will be available hopefully by October.

A couple of individual honours also came the club's way around last season and congratulations are due to both prop Luke Hill, and number eight Scott Johnson, who were awarded their county caps.

In fact Johnson takes over from Hill as first team skipper, while Rob Howard leads the seconds into their first foray into league rugby.

PREVIEW
THE 2012/13 league season makes something of a staggered start tomorrow.

The CHARD first side travels to South Gloucestershire to take on THORNBURY, with last years influential captain Mark Parsons still at the helm, as is Paul Nicholls, his vice.

Their opponents did not enjoy a particularly fruitful campaign last season and with a few games left, occupied a relegation place. Credit to them however for they buckled down, won a few games and by the season's end were some 10 points clear of the drop zone.

In fact, such is the competitive nature of Chard's new division that, last season, just three points separated the five sides in its mid table.

I chanced to watch Thornbury's game at Sidmouth last year and, while they are a very useful side, I would think that there is every chance that the Park Field club will open its account with an away win.

The CREWKERNE first side is also on the road. It faces, in Wiveliscombe seconds, a side who, last season ended in the lower reaches of the division, and one whom they should beat. I take them to do just that.

As to the second sides, Chard seconds, like their firsts, face opponents of whom they have little recent knowledge in Wellington seconds. These opponents ended last season very much in the bottom half of the division and Chard will be hoping to make home advantage count.

Both the Chard third side and Crewkerne seconds have a rather more leisurely start to their respective campaigns, with their first games taking place in mid-September.

***TOMORROW'S FIXTURES:** Thornbury v Chard; Chard 2nd v Wellington 2nd; Wiveliscombe 2nd v Crewkerne.*

ON THE SPOT...

***WEEKENDER SPORT* puts Ilminster CC all-rounder**
Louis Kraucamp
UNDER THE SPOTLIGHT

Q How long have you been involved in the local cricket scene? Who have you played for?

A I have been playing cricket for 15 years and I have played for Christian Brothers College Old Boys 1st XI, North City 1st and 2nd XIs, and Mpumalanga province back home in South Africa and Ilminster 1st XI.

Q Who are the best three players you've played alongside so far, and why?

A **Roelof Van der Merwe** (13 ODI's and 13 T20s for South Africa), **Johann Myburgh** (Northerns and Hampshire), and **Ettiene. De Bruyn.**

Q What's the best away ground you've played on?

A **Willowmoore Park** (situated in Benoni, SA - 20,000 capacity, staged two matches in 2003 world cup)

Q Do any games stick out in your memory?

A Playing up at Bath CC's North Parade Ground - they have amazing facilities.

Q What is your career-best score with the bat?

A My top score is 212 not out, and I once took 6 for 24 in 10 overs.

Q How would you improve things at Ilminster CC?

A I think some better sight screens and more covers would be a big help.

Q Name some young players we should look out for in the future.

A Ilminster CC's **Jonny Warry, Dan Vining and Harry Montacute.**

NEXT WEEK: West & Middle Chinnock FC's new player-manager
MATT ALFORD

Glovers In Focus

By Stuart Broom

Glovers' early momentum continues

YEOVIL Town continue their excellent start to the 2012-13 season. On Saturday they swept aside Scunthorpe at Glanford Park to go top of nPower League One, their highest league position in their history.

Three days later the team produced an exhilarating display against Premiership side West Bromwich Albion before bowing out of the Capital Cup 4-2 at Huish Park.

The 4-0 victory at old rivals 'Scunny' was not as easy as the score suggests, and but for a couple of fine saves from Marek Štěch in the first-half might have been much closer, and two late goals from sub Gozie Ugwu put the icing on the cake following a first-half strike from Keanu Marsh-Brown and one from Reuben Reid soon after the restart.

Whilst it is early days and we must not get carried away, but anybody who has seen the side play this season must be excited by what they have seen.

Can they maintain it and be involved in the promotion battle come the end of the season?

So many things can affect the situation, and no one can predict what might happen during the season with injuries, loss of form and suchlike and with Gary Johnson's decision that he will work with a squad of no more than 18, then that could be crucial.

One thing I know, particularly after Tuesday's game against the Baggies, is that if the attacking style they showed against the Baggies is anything to go by, then win or lose, Glovers fans are in for a treat this campaign.

It was perhaps unfortunate that Štěch, after a brilliant start to the season, should make an error in this game, when he dropped Chris Brunt's corner at the feet of £6m striker Shane Long of all people, who had the easy task of giving Albion the lead right on the stroke of half-time.

The error, which probably in the end was not crucial, was a blow to the Glovers whose performance until the last goal gave no indication of the gulf in league status.

The match was played at a high tempo until those final minutes when the Baggies, with the two goal lead, played keep-ball against their tiring hosts, produced a number of chances at both end.

Boaz Myhill was certainly the busier of the keepers in the first-half and early on had to make a flying save to turn away Byron Webster's header before bravely getting down in a melee to block on the line before the ball eventually broke to James Hayter who headed against the outside of the post from an acute angle.

When Reuben Reid, whose fleet of foot caused problems in the visitors' defence until his substitution late on, got on to the end of Ed Upson's tantalising free-kick to glance it past Myhill on 15 minutes it was no more than Yeovil deserved, and as hard as Albion tried they could not break the energetic Yeovil side down.

In the end it took something special, and it came on 39 minutes from Brunt with what I think is the best goal I have ever seen.

Fed a pass at least 35 if not 40-yards from goal, he took one step before thundering a sensational left foot shot into the top left-hand side of the net.

He hit it with so much force and accuracy that although Štěch somehow got his hands to the ball, there was no way he could stop it.

This put Yeovil on the back foot and it was unfortunate that they went in at the break behind to Long's goal.

However they came back firing after the interval and in two minutes a superb left-wing touchline run and cross from the byeline from Sam Foley saw former Albion player Reid heading home powerfully at the far post.

Game on again. The play then swept from end to end until Yassine El Ghanassy's shot took a wicked deflection in a crowded goalmouth following a corner with just 17 minutes left.

On 81 minutes the result was sealed when Long showed his shooting prowess neatly volleying home from 20-yards after Brunt's initial shot had been blocked.

One criticism in what was an exhilarating and wonderful game to watch, the antics of El Ghanassy.

One thing I hate is simulation, and once again an excellent match was spoiled by El Ghanassy who twice tried this odious practice in the second half.

Fortunately referee Darren Sheldrake ignored his antics, but he should have been booked.

◆ One other moan – this time off the pitch.

After 35 years of passing through Gate 2 to get to my seat in the middle of Block C why was the turnstile operator trying to insist I had to go to Gate 1?

Ludicrous!

SOMERSET CCC

WITH HOWARD LARCOMBE

Double disappointment

FRIENDS PROVIDENT T20

SOMERSET CCC had 48 hours to forget when their hopes of lifting the Friends Life T20 and Clydesdale Bank 40 trophies were ended by an inept batting performance at Cardiff and the rain at Taunton.

Saturday's T20 semi-final defeat against Hampshire was a bitter blow for Marcus Trescothick and his squad who have now attended the last four finals days in the competition and each time ended up returning home empty handed.

After being put into bat Somerset were soon in trouble at 30-3 after 6.2 overs with only opener Craig Kieswetter holding the top order together.

They limped along to 126-6 from their 20 overs with Kieswetter (69 off 58 – 5x4, 1x6) making any notable contribution.

At 52-3 off 8.3 overs the Hampshire innings appeared to be wobbling. But Sean Irvine (34no) and Aussie Simon Katich (32no) saw them home with an over to spare.

CLYDESDALE BANK 40

Group B
Somerset v Surry - postponed
Monday, August 27th

MONDAY'S must-win CB40 match against Surrey at the County ground was washed-out with just 4.3 overs of play possible.

The result ended any slim hopes of Somerset sneaking into the semi-finals as best runner-up from the three groups.

Final B table	P	W	L	TNR	RR	Pts
Hampshire	12	7	3	0 2	0.754	16
Surrey	12	6	3	0 3	0.466	15
Somerset	**12**	**6**	**4**	**0 2**	**0.385**	**14**
Nottinghamshire	12	6	5	0 1	0.101	13
Durham	12	5	5	0 2	0.262	12
Glamorgan	12	3	6	0 3	-0.971	9
Scotland	12	1	8	0 3	-1.359	5

LV=COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP
Division One

THE season's LV County championship is drawing to a damp close.

The current game with Surrey at the County ground has been dominated by ex-England batsman Kevin Pietersen's all-but run-a-ball 163 as the visitors posted 317 with on-loan Saj Mahmood (4-52) taking his first wickets for Somerset.

But rain intervened once again on day two leaving Somerset on 42-2.

Surrey 317 off 79.1 ov (K.Pietersen 163, S.Mahmood 4-62)
Somerset 43-2 off 15.2ov (at time of going to press on day three).

Top of the table	P	W	L	D Bt	Bl	Pts
Warwickshire	13	5	1	7 33	37	171
Sussex	14	5	3	6 26	35	159
Nottinghamshire	13	4	1	8 21	35	144
Somerset	**13**	**3**	**1**	**9 26**	**36**	**137**
Durham	14	4	5	5 13	39	127

◆ Peter Trego remains at the top of the County Championship MVP rankings: 1st P.Trego (Som) 444, 2nd D.Stevens (Kent) 398, 3rd C.Nash (Sussex) 390, 34th C.Kieswetter (Som) 280.

Perry Street League

THE 2012 **Chard Hospital Cup** Final between Crewkerne Town and Winsham United is to be rearranged after last friday's encounter at Chard Town's Zembard lane was postponed ***WRITES HOWARD LARCOMBE.***

With the pre-season friendlies now drawing to a close and the opening league fixtures scheduled for tomorrow a **Perry Street XI** beat a **Shepton Beauchamp XI** 4-1 on Tuesday evening.

Ex-Combe stalwart Steve Chadwick scored twice for Street with Kieran Bailey and Joe Draper also on target.

Tom Brister netted the Shepton consolation.

Meanwhile there have been several changes at diviison two Drimpton. Dan legg and LLoyd Studley (Beaminster), Callum Preston (Ilminster), Sam Caddy (Crewkerne Rangers) have left the club with Phil Denslow (Merriott), Darren Carter (Crewkerne Rangers) arriving.

In addiiton the Greens have lured Jason Mallett and Ryan Knight out of (early) retirement and are excited by promising 16-year-old Ryan Sweetman.

Tomorrow's opening games see league new-boys Kinsbury Episcopi make their bow with the visit of Uplyme Reserves.

Tomorrow's fixtures
(all 2.30pm ko unless stated)

PREMIER DIVISION
Crewkerne Town v Combe Reserves
Farway United v Beaminster (2pm)
Winsham United v South Petherton

DIVISION ONE
Barrington v Perry Street Reserves
Forton Rangers v Crewkerne Reserves
Netherbury v Beaminster Reserves
West & Middle Chinnock v Misterton

DIVISION TWO
Crewkerne Rangers v Chard United
Dowlish & Donyatt v Waytown Hounds
Thorncombe v Ilminster Town Colts
Uplyme v Chard Rangers

DIVISION THREE
Chard Utd Reserves v Luso-Chard
Hawkchurch Utd v Winsham Utd Reserves
Hinton St George v Combe A
Ilminster Town A v Millwey Rise Reserves
Lyme Bantams v Misterton Reserves

DIVISION FOUR
Chard Rangers Reserves v Kingsbury Episcopi
Combe B v Barrington Reserves
Crewkerne Rangers Res v Forton Reserves
Farway Utd Res v Thorncombe Res (4.15pm)
Shepton Beauchamp Res v Uplyme Reserves

Somerset senior football: News from the Robins, Blues and Saints

BY HOWARD LARCOMBE

Clark give Shrews a leathering as Robins go second

Chard Town 6 Shrewton Utd 1
TOOLSTATION DIVISON ONE - ATT: 69
TUESDAY, AUGUST 28TH

CHARD Town stormed to second place in the Toolstation Western league division one with a 6-1 hammering of Shrewton United on Tuesday evening.

After a goaless opening 20 minutes Striker Sam Clark led the way with a first-half double (one pen) to send Chard in to the break 2-0 up.

Clark completed his fifth hat-trick for the club with a header soon after the restart before the visitors pulled one back from the penalty spot. But The Robins weren't finished yet and further strikes from Chris Gardner, Danny Cleal and Liam Cleal completed the rout. Midfielder Mark Armstrong was selected as Man-of-the-Match which saw a debut for exIlminster Town and South Petherton striker Rich Hebditch.

The result is Chard's biggest win since they hammered Odd Down 7-1 more than five years ago.

By coincidence the Bath-based side, currently unbeaten in the Toolstation Premier division, are tomorrow's visitors for an FA Vase first qualifying round tie (3pm ko).

Chard Town 1 Plymth Parkway 4
FA CUP 1ST QUALIFYING ROUND - ATT: 91
SATURDAY, AUGUST 25TH

CHARD Town's hopes of a lucrative FA Cup run were ended by a 4-1 defeat by Plymouth Parkway at Zembard lane on Saturday.

Danny Cleal gave the Robins the lead from close range after just five minutes.

The start of a torrential downpour was marked by the South West peninsula league Premier division outfit leveling three minutes before the interval.

And with the slope (and the tide!) in their favour the Devonians eased home with three second-half strikes.

◆ Acting player-manager Adam Fricker has been impressed with proceedings over the last few days, he said: "I was pleased with last night (Tuesday), there are still things to work on and if we were playing a better side we could have been caught out. But slowly we are getting there, have to make Zembard Lane a fortress.

"We were unlucky against Plymouth, the lads dug-in and showed great character, for the first 20 minutes of the second-half - they couldn't live with Danny Cleal's pace and the ball over the top.

"We've certainly come a long way from last season's performance (0-11 in FA Vase).

Last night Sam Clark proved exactly why he is one of the best in the league he finishing was very clinical and he could even have had a few more.

"Rich (Hebditch) looks a good prospect and did well when he came on against Shrewton, he may be to similar to Clarky to play them both but it's good to have options and I certainly won't be ruling it out.

"Our main concern right now is the long injury list we are picking up: Mark Scott (sprained ankle), Andy Martin (shoulder), George Chlopecki (groin), James Smith (thigh) and Sam Johnson (Shoulder).

"Scotty and Smithy could be missing for the next month."

Squad: *Scott Wells-Burr, Ryan Parris, Iain Machattie, Lewis Voizey, Gary Knight, Danny Cleal, Liam Cleal, Mark Armstrong, Adam Cole, Adam Fricker, Sam Clark, Chris Gardner, Richard Hebditch, Sam Johnson.*

Lightning

Over in the Somerset league Premier division **Ilminster Town's** home game with Clevedon was abandoned with the scoreline goaless after 37 minutes on Saturday due to a lightning storm.

The Blues were also in action on Tuesday when they were thwarted by a superb display by the fittingly named Bridwater Town Reserves' 'keeper Josh Champion and had to settle for a point with Chris Nezianya and Nick Whaites on target in a 2-2 draw.

Ilminster will be favourites to progress in the Somerset Senior Cup when they travel to Lakeview to take on division one outfit Bishop Sutton Res in a first round tie.

Double defeat

Down in division two (west) **Combe St Nicholas** went down1-0 at Winscombe on Saturday.

This was follwed by another reverse - this time 2-1 at Middlezoy on Tuesday.

The Saints are in Somerset Senior Cup 1st round action tomorrow when they entertain first division side Brislington Reserves

■ **INJURED:** James Smith picked up a thigh injury against Shrewton on Tuesday.
Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE

INSIDE EDGE

Howard Larcombe rounds-up the local cricket scene

Current tables

GLOBE SPORTSWEPL

Premier 1	Pld	Pts
Bath	17	271
Bridgwater	17	271
Downend	17	208
Corsham	17	201
Taunton St Andws	17	201
Bristol	17	184
ILMINSTER	17	157
Taunton Deane	17	144
Frocester	17	143
Gloucester CW	17	95

Premier 2	Pld	Pts
Ashcott & Shapwk	17	234
Goatacre	17	228
Keynsham	17	208
Warminster	17	186
Thornbury	17	182
Weston-s-Mare	17	181
Glastonbury	17	169
CHARD	17	151
Chippenham	17	148
Westbury & Dist	17	146

Somerset	Pld	Pts
Street	17	284
Wembdon	17	227
Staplegrove	17	211
Frome	17	195
Bishops Lydeard	17	176
ILTON	17	174
Uphill Castle	17	160
Westlands Sports	17	158
Winscombe	17	156
Butleigh	17	154

Premier 2 2nd XI	Pld	Pts
Weston-s-Mare	17	230
Ashcott & Shapwk	17	216
Cheltenham	17	212
Gloucester City	17	211
Thornbury	17	206
Knowle	17	181
ILMINSTER	17	179
Glastonbury	17	167
Chippenham	17	142
Taunton	17	132

B&S 2nd XI	Pld	Pts
CHARD	17	235
Old Bristolians	17	218
Chipping Sodbury	17	209
Brislington	17	208
Clevedon	17	206
Bishopston	17	181
Minehead	17	173
Bedminster	17	172
Midsomer Norton	17	159
Bristol West Indians	17	102

BEST WESTERNSCL

Division 2	Pld	Pts
NORTH PERROTT	17	473
North Curry	17	413
Wincanton	17	380
Castle Cary	17	380
Huish & Langport	17	370
North Newton	17	364
Stogumber	17	347
Wells	17	325
BARRINGTON	17	248
Wedmore	17	223

Division 3	Pld	Pts
Bagborough	17	421
Bridgwater A	17	398
Westlands II	17	397
Burnham	17	388
Street II	17	360
Horrington	17	329
Long Sutton	17	296
Uphill Castle II	17	290
SOUTH PETHERTON	17	263
Huntspill & District	17	233

Soggy season continues - rain wins again

GLOBE SPORTS WEST OF ENGLAND PREMIER LEAGUE

ILMINSTER 1st XI's scheduled visit by championship-chasing Bath CC was washed-out without a ball being bowled.

There was at least some play in the division one relegation battle at Chippenham. The hosts won the toss and opted to bat first against **Chard 1st XI**.

But Chard took the initiative immediately with both openers dismissed for ducks.

The score had reached 115-6 after 35 overs when play was halted for the day.

Dale Twiss ended with 2 for 9 off his seven overs as Chard (8pts) gained what could prove to be three vital points on their hosts (5) and bottom of the league Westbury & District who were dismissed for 159 by league leaders Ashcott & Shapwick.

In the Somerset division **Ilton 1st XI**'s scheduled trip to Butleigh was postponed due to the weather.

There was a waterlogged square and outfield at Weston-super-Mare leaving **Ilminster 2nds** clicking their heels in the Premier 2 2nd XI division.

It was a similar story at champions-elect **Chard 2nds** for the Bristol & Somerset 2nd XI clash with Bishopston.

BEST WESTERN SHRUBBERY HOTEL SOMERSET LEAGUE

Division Two: All games cancelled.

Division Three: Westlands v South Petherton 1st XI cancelled.

Division Four: North Perrott 2nds v Fitzhead cancelled.

Division Five: Sparkford 126 all out (E.Knight 5-37, J.Larkman 6.5-4-2-2) Broadway & Horton 170 all out (T.Baigent 59).

Division Six: Chard A v Butleigh cancelled.

Division Seven: Barton St David v Barrington and Castle Cary v Ilminster both cancelled.

Division Eight (S): South Petherton (-30) failed to raise a side for the visit of Chilton Polden.

Division Nine (SE): Chard 750 (-30) failed to raise a side for the trip to Ilton (30).

FIXTURES

GLOBE SPORTS WEST OF ENGLAND LEAGUE Premier One: Downend v Ilminster; **Premier Two:** Chard v Warminster; **Somerset:** Ilton v Winscombe; **Premier Two 2nd XI:** Ilminster v Taunton; **Bristol & Somerset 2nd XI:** Clevedon v Chard.

BEST WESTERN SHRUBBERY HOTEL SOMERSET LEAGUE Division Two: North Perrott v North Curry, Castle Cary v Barrington; **Division Three:** South Petherton v Horrington; **Division Four:** Kilve v North Perrott 2nds; **Division Five:** Broadway & Horton v Mark; **Division Six:** Hardington & West Coker v Chard A; **Division Seven:** Ilminster A v Banwell & Churchill, Barrington v Glastonbury Lambs; **Division Eight (S):** Watchet v All Saints, Spaxton v South Petherton 2nds; **Division Nine (SE):** Chard 750 v Leigh-on-Mendip, Wincanton v Ilton 2nds.

DORSET FUNERAL PLAN LEAGUE Division Five (NW): Cerne Valley 2nds v Crewkerne.

READERS MID-WESSEX LEAGUE Division One: W & M Chinnock v Wincanton. **Division Two**: Martock v Chetnole.

My dear old thing! 'Blowers' in Axminster

Arc Axminster is delighted to announce an evening with the BBC's Test Match Special legend, Henry Blofeld, at Axminster Guildhall on Sunday 23rd September at 7.30pm.

The evening will take the form of two one-hour sessions during which Henry will tell some of his favourite stories from his extraordinary life, culminating in a Q&A and a book signing.

It is hoped a full-house of local people will attend, raising vital funds for the charity, whilst also raising awareness about counselling and Arc's unique services across the local area.

Arc's Founding Trustee, Catherine Davies, added: "2012 has been a very exciting year for Arc.

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All proceeds go directly to the charity. For further ticket information please call 01297 639131.

Crewkerne CC - Dorset League team of the Month

CREWKERNE CC'S attempt to close the gap on the top two sides in Dorset League Division 5 North West were thwarted by the rain on Saturday.

With the award for Dorset League team of the month having been presented to the team prior to the match, the weather broke and just 4.3 overs of cricket were possible in a match that started nearly two hours late.

Marnhull 2nds reached 10-1, Francis Medley (1-7) taking the only wicket to fall before the heavens opened for one last time.

This Saturday Crewkerne travel to Cerne Abbas to face Cerne Valley 2nds in the final league match of the season with second place still up for grabs

Crewkerne team; A Lawrence (captain), T Briggs, M Culpitt, J Gould, R James, N Keylock, Richard Keylock, P Palfrey, D Parsons, S Rowswell, R Wakely. Players meet at Wadham at 12.15pm or Cerne Abbas at 1pm for a 1.30pm start.

The Sunday friendly team had an excellent 33 run victory down at BrideHead manor house near LittleBredy against Bride Vale CC.

Stand-in skipper Nick Bodger won the toss and decided to bat first. His decision proved an excellent one, as Mark Pearce with a career best knock of 82 and Nick Keylock with 53 shared a 112-run second wicket partnership as Crewkerne hit an impressive 167-7.

In reply Crewkerne took regular wickets, with Rob Cornelius (3-24), Jack Osborne (3-36), leading the way as Crewkerne bowled the hosts out for 134.

This week the friendly team travel to Thorncombe, team; H Hodder (captain), N Bodger, A Bryant, E Hawkins, A Kember, J Kember, N Keylock, Richard Keylock, Rob Keylock, Jack Osborne, P Palfrey

Players meet at Wadham School at 1pm or Thorncombe 1.30pm for a 2pm start.

DORSET FUNERAL PLAN LEAGUE

Division Five (N&W)	P	Pts
Abbotsbury	14	199
Weymouth Longshots	13	181
CREWKERNE	13	175
Dorchester 3rds	13	137
Bradford Abbas	13	130
Cerne Valley 2nds	13	116
Marnhull 2nds	13	29
Henstridge	14	6

BEST WESTERNSCL

Division 4	Pld	Pts
NORTH PERROTT II	17	415
Wellington II	17	411
Wembdon II	17	399
Kilve	17	359
Cheddar II	17	358
Fitzhead	17	334
Staplegrove II	17	332
Frome II	17	294
Weston-s-Mare III	17	289
Curry Rivel	17	239

Division 5	Pld	Pts
Cranmore	14	384
Mark	15	365
BROADWAY & HORT	15	334
East Coker	14	322
Leigh-on-Mendip	15	307
Taunton A	15	271
Sparkford	16	263
Trull	15	255
East Huntspill	15	217

Division 6	Pld	Pts
Baltonsborough	17	435
Hardingtn & W.Coker	17	433
Lydford	17	427
Huish & Langport	17	372
Bishops Lydeard II	16	334
Taunton Deane Cav	17	322
Butleigh II	17	315
CHARD A	17	285
Taunton St And A	17	225
Bridgwater Sports	18	-8

Division 7	Pld	Pts
Glastonbury Lambs	17	401
Purnells II	17	397
Castle Cary II	17	395
Banwell & Churchill	17	375
ILMINSTER A	17	373
Winscombe II	17	352
Temple Cloud II	17	307
BARRINGTON II	17	240
Barton St David	17	159
Uphill Castle Caval	17	153

Division 8S	Pld	Pts
Middlezoy II	17	414
Chilton Polden	17	379
Wembdon Wyverns	17	377
Watchet II	17	369
North Petherton II	16	365
Spaxton	16	340
Burnham II	16	314
ALL SAINTS	16	309
Taunton Deane Crus	17	285
SOUTH PETHERTN II	17	222

Division 9SE	Pld	Pts
Westlands III	16	406
ILTON II	16	365
Huish & Langport III	17	360
Lydford II	16	352
Wincanton II	15	335
Leigh-on Mendip II	17	239
ILMINSTER B	17	224
Cranmore III	15	213
CHARD 750	15	164
Long Sutton II	16	20

READERSMID-WESSEX

Division 1	Pld	Pts
Westland	13	184
BROADWINDSOR	12	158
Wincanton	12	142
W & M CHINNOCK	11	125
Ilchester	12	120
Milborne Port	13	115
White Horse	12	104
Queen Camel	13	103

Division 2	Pld	Pts
Hardington & WC	8	111
Compton Dundon	8	108
Cranmore	7	77
MARTOCK	7	53
Chetnole	6	44

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